

FEBRUARY 7, 1829.

Read twice, and ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time on Monday next.

Mr. NEWTON, from the Committee on Commerce, to which the subject had been referred, reported the following bill:

A BILL

To authorize Surveyors. under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, to enroll and license ships or vessels to be employed in the coasting trade and fisheries.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That,*
3 *after the passage of this act, the Secretary of the Treasury be,*
4 *and he is hereby, invested with powers to authorize the sur-*
5 *veyor of any port of delivery, under such regulations as he*
6 *shall deem necessary, to enroll and license ships or vessels*
7 *to be employed in the coasting trade and fisheries, in like*
8 *manner as collectors of ports of entry are now authorized to*
9 *do under existing laws.*

1 SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That any surveyor*
2 *who shall perform the duties directed to be performed by the*
3 *first section of this act shall be entitled to receive the same*
4 *per centage and fees as are now allowed by law to collectors*
5 *for performing the same duties, and no more.*